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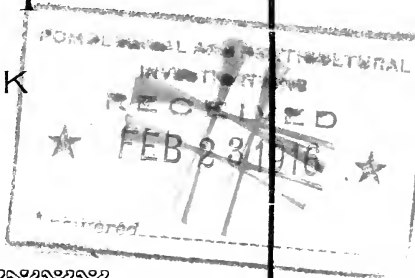
## Strawberry Plants

GROWN AND FOR SALE BY

H. H. BENNING

CLYDE, NEW YORK

- 1916 -



NO. 1216

State of New York, Department  
of Agriculture.

### Certificate of Inspection of NURSERY STOCK.

This is to Certify That the stock in the Nursery of H. H. BENNING, of Clyde, County of Wayne, State of New York, was duly examined in compliance with the provisions of Section 305 of the Agricultural Law, and was found to be apparently free from any contagious or infectious disease or diseases, or the San Jose Scale or other dangerously injurious insect pest or pests. This certificate expires September 1, 1916.

Dated, Albany, N. Y., September 21, 1915.

CHARLES S. WILSON,  
Commissioner of Agriculture.



# GENERAL REMARKS

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## **Please Read Before Ordering**

WE are pleased to announce to our customers that we have this season a fair supply of strong, vigorous plants, which we are offering at as low a price as good plants can be grown.

All orders will be filled with fresh dug plants of our own growing, and we are confident we can please you should we receive your order, either large or small.

We would advise growers to send in their orders early. Plants weigh less and live better when dug and shipped early—while dormant. Early orders can also usually be filled without substituting.

We take extra care to have our plants true to name, but in case any should prove otherwise, we will not be responsible for more than the amount paid us for the same.

Every order is promptly acknowledged by card. One and two cent stamps taken for orders less than one dollar. If of one variety, six at dozen rates; fifty at hundred, and five hundred at thousand rates. A discount of five per cent. will be allowed on all orders of \$15.00 or more.

Varieties marked (P) have pistillate blossoms, and will not fruit unless planted near some varieties having perfect blossoms, which are marked (S), but when so planted are, as a rule, the best yielders.

All questions relating to Strawberries promptly and cheerfully answered. Also, criticisms, favorable or otherwise, will be thankfully received.

We shall do our best to serve and please you, and endeavor to ship your plants as near the date you want them as possible. But, if they do not reach you at just that time, please remember that the shipping season is short, and that many others are waiting for their plants at the same time. Also, at this season we have more or less rainy days, and sometimes a whole week of wet weather. This severely interferes with our shipping plans. Also, we must depend for our work on hired help, and sometimes they fail to appear when we need them.

Claims, if any, must be made on receipt of plants. We cannot be responsible for stock that is allowed to lie around your express office, or for neglect of purchaser to care for stock after it is received.

## **Cash Must Accompany All Orders**

**REFERENCES.**—Briggs National Bank, or Express Agent of Clyde.

## Description of Varieties

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**August Luther (S)** A very good early Strawberry. It is very prolific, and comes early and retains its size till nearly all the fruit has ripened. A good shipper.

**Aroma (S)** A late variety. Firm and good shipper. Medium size and good quality. Does best on rich soil.

**Beder Wood (S)** A grand medium early berry, of good size and immensely productive. Light color and long season. Has a long blooming period, making it an excellent pollenizer.

**Big Joe,** We have never fruited this variety but it is highly recommended by those who have tested it, and we have great faith in it. We shall try it the coming season, and would advise our friends to do the same.

**Bubach (P)** This is probably one of the most popular berries in the country. Makes a moderate number of strong, stocky plants. Berries are large, showy and of good flavor. You make no mistake when you plant Bubachs.

**Brandywine (S)** Season medium late. The berries are large, heart-shaped, firm flesh and medium red color. Have a rich spicy flavor. A valued variety. A good canner.

**Climax (S)** Plants are strong and vigorous, with but little rust. A large, medium early berry. A good pollenizer, and adapted to a wide range of territory.

**Crescent (P)** This is an old variety, and still retains its strong, vigorous habits, and is very productive of medium sized, bright red berries.

**Corsican (S)** Large and uniform in shape. Color, bright red. Healthy and vigorous foliage. A medium late, firm berry.

**Charles I. (S)** This is a very promising new early berry. Is very productive, large, regular in form, of good color and quality.

**Early Ozark (S)** This is a fine early variety of recent introduction. The plants are large, strong and healthy and very productive. The fruit is large and firm, and promises to become one of the leading commercial sorts.

**Excelsior (S)** This is an old variety. Very early, firm, productive and highly colored, but rather tart for table use.

**Gandy (Semi-Staminate)** The standard late berry all over the country. Does best on moist soil. Medium large.

**Glen Mary (Semi-Staminate)** Large, handsome and of fine flavor. Very vigorous and productive. Many place this variety at the head of the list. Makes just enough plants to make a good stand.

**Haverland (P)** Exceedingly productive. Fruit large. One of the most popular and well tested varieties. A good sure berry for main crop. One of our favorites.

**Heritage (S)** A very promising new berry. Large and deep-rooted plant. Berry large, dark and fine flavor. Begins to ripen in mid-season and continues to give plenty of good-sized berries until late.

**Helen Davis (S)** This is another new early berry, which is very highly recommended by those who have grown it. It has large strong plants and produces heavy fruit stem. The fruit is medium large, has a rich, dark color and good flavor. We have never fruited it.

**Jessie (S)** A very large, fine flavored berry; for home use. Many use it for fertilizing Bubach. An old standard variety, and very popular.

**Klondike (S)** A very large, firm berry, and very popular with shippers. Grown largely in the South for shipment to Northern markets.

**Marshall (S)** A large fancy berry, especially for the Eastern portion of the United States. One of the richest Strawberries grown. Foliage large and beautiful. Well adapted to hill culture.

**Michel's Early (S)** One of the very earliest berries grown; medium size, light color and fine flavor. Last pickings rather small.

**Myrtle Murrell (S)** This is a new early strawberry originated by Mr. S. S. Murrell, of Marian, Md., who has had over 30 years of actual experience in growing strawberries. He has tested this variety for eight years and challenges the world to show another early berry with as many good points as the Myrtle Murrell. It has been tested at the Experiment Stations of nearly a dozen states and all pronounce it a success. It is a very early berry, large, firm, productive and a great plant maker. It is a hardy variety with good foliage free from rust. Its long deep roots enable it to withstand dry weather when most other varieties would fail. Mr. Murrell has fruited the same patch for several years and finds that it will give equally good yields the second and third seasons as the first. We would advise all to try a few of these plants.

**New York (S)** This is a valuable variety for the home garden or home market. A luxuriant grower, and free from diseases. Berries are large, with an agreeable flavor and extend through a long season.

**Nick Ohmer (S)** A strong, perfect-blossom variety, and productive of large, dark, glossy berries. Responds to good culture.

**Parson's Beauty,** This variety produces great yields of medium sized, bright red berries, of a delicious mild flavor. Well suited to cold latitudes.

**Pocomoke (S)** Very productive and adapted to all soils. Withstands dry, hot weather. Berry large, firm and great yielder; good flavor; good shipper. One of the best of the newer varieties.

**Prolific (S)** This variety originated at the Geneva (N. Y.) Experiment Station, and is said to be a cross of the Sample and Marshall. Plants numerous, vigorous and unusually productive. Fruit very large to above medium, retains size well as season advances; flesh firm. This variety gives promise of taking front rank among standard commercial Strawberries.

**Ryckman (S)** This variety bears a good crop of large sized and good flavored berries. A good variety where it is not desirable to set out a new bed each year, as it can be cropped continuously for several seasons.

**Sample (P)** This is a beautiful berry, and one of the largest and most prolific. Bright red, uniform size, and has a smooth, glossy appearance. A very good market berry, and popular over a large section of the United States.

**Senator Dunlap (S)** One of the best standard sorts, and deservedly popular. Resembles Warfield in color and canning qualities. Bloom rich in pollen. Medium early.

**Steven's Late Champion (S)** A good, all-around, large, late berry, that does well on a great variety of soils. A good fertilizer for Sample. If your soil is not adapted to Gandy, try this variety.

**Tennessee Prolific (S)** A great yielder of medium sized, late, sweet berries. A good canner and fine shipping berry.

**Uncle Jim (S)** A comparatively new berry, but one of the most profitable. Plants large and free from rust. Berry large, regular form and medium late. A good fertilizer for Bubach.

**Warfield (P)** A well-known standard variety, and very productive. Mid-season, medium sized, dark red, and a very choice berry for canning. For this purpose it will usually bring two cents above the market price.

**Wm. Belt (S)** A standard for quality. Good bearer of medium late, large berries. Holds out well through the season.

**Wilson,** Years ago this was the leading berry for canning, and many still call for it for that purpose. Berries are tart, medium size and firm.

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## Fall Bearing Varieties

The fall bearing Strawberry is not a novelty, but is successfully grown by many growers. Plants are set and cultivated the same as other varieties, except that the blossoms must be pinched off till about July 10th, then they will bear ripe fruit from early fall till freezing weather. Plants bear the same year they are set out. The following year they bear in June and another crop in the fall. The quality of the fruit is excellent.

We would advise everyone to try at least a few dozen plants.

We have a limited supply of the following varieties :

**PROGRESSIVE, SUPERB. PRODUCTIVE and AMERICUS.**

Prices:—30c per dozen ; \$1.00 per 100 ; \$10.00 per 1,000.

# PRICE LIST--1916

VARIETIES	BY MAIL—Postpaid		By Express—Ch'gs P'd by Purchaser		
	Per Doz.	Per 100	Per 100	Per 300	Per 1000
August Luther.....	.25	.70	.50	\$1 25	\$3 00
Aroma.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Beder Wood.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 00
Big Joe.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Bubach.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Brandywine.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Climax.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	
Crescent.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 00
Corsican.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Cumberland.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	
Charles I.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Early Ozark.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Excelsior.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	
Gandy.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Glen Mary.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Haverland.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Heritage.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Helen Davis.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Jessie.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 00
Klondike.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	
Marshall.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Michel's Early.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	2 50
Myrtle Murrell.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
New York.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Nick Ohmer.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	
Parson's Beauty.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Pocomoke.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Prolific.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	4 00
Ryckman.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Sample.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Senator Dunlap.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 00
Stevens' Late Champion...	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 00
Tennessee Prolific.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	
Uncle Jim.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Warfield.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 00
Wm Belt.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	3 50
Wilson.....	.25	.70	.50	1 25	



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